



Salt Division

19 August 1992

Director, Water Management Division  
U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY  
26 Federal Plaza  
New York, New York 10278

Attention: Drinking/Ground Water Protection Branch

Ref: UIC Permit NYU 63860

Dear Sir:

This letter serves as notification of our intent to drill one new Class III solution mining well and to rework the existing solution mining well No. 50 within the Watkins Glen brinefield as authorized by the referenced permit. Copies of the New York State permit application are attached for your review. The new Well 58 is to be drilled to replace existing wells that are nearing depletion, and Well 50 is to be reworked to produce brine from the Syracuse 'F' salt, which is within the permitted injection zone.

Completed forms 7520-10 and 7520-12 shall be submitted to your office at the completion of well construction per Part I (F) of the permit. I understand that the first form supercedes 7520-9, which is referenced in the permit.

Sincerely,

Michael J. Schumacher  
Project Manager

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Attachment  
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# APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO DRILL, DEEPEN, PLUG BACK OR CONVERT A WELL SUBJECT TO THE OIL, GAS AND SOLUTION MINING LAW

THIS APPLICATION IS A LEGAL DOCUMENT. READ THE APPLICABLE AFFIRMATION AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING. THIS APPLICATION IS CONTINUED ON THE REVERSE SIDE.

PLANNED OPERATION: (Check one) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Drill <input type="checkbox"/> Deepen <input type="checkbox"/> Plug Back <input type="checkbox"/> Conversion			
NAME OF OWNER (Full Name of Organization or Individual) <b>Akzo Salt Inc.</b>			TELEPHONE NUMBER (include area code) <b>717   587-9353</b>
ADDRESS (P.O. Box or Street Address, City, State, Zip Code) <b>P. O. Box 352 Clarks Summit, PA 18411</b>			
NAME AND TITLE OF LOCAL REPRESENTATIVE WHO CAN BE CONTACTED WHILE OPERATIONS ARE IN PROGRESS <b>James A. Loose, Plant Manager</b>			
ADDRESS—Business (P.O. Box or Street Address, City, State, Zip Code) <b>P. O. Box 110, Salt Point Road, Watkins Glen, NY 14891</b>			TELEPHONE NUMBER (include area code) <b>607   535-2721</b>
ADDRESS—Night, Weekend and Holiday (P.O. Box or Street Address, City, State, Zip Code) <b>Night Supervisor</b>			TELEPHONE NUMBER (include area code) <b>607   535-2721</b>
<b>WELL LOCATION DATA (attach three plats)</b>			
COUNTY <b>Schuyler</b>	TOWN <b>Reading</b>	FIELD/POOL NAME (or "wildcat") <b>Watkins Glen</b>	
LEASE OR UNIT NAME <b>International Salt</b>	WELL NUMBER <b>58</b>	NUMBER OF ACRES IN LEASE OR UNIT <b>527</b>	
LOCATION DESCRIPTION <b>7½" Quad. Name Reading Center</b>	N <b>15000</b> Ft. X of <b>42-22-30.264</b> Latitude		6700 Ft. W of <b>76-52-28.852</b> Longitude
<b>PROPOSED WELL DATA</b>			
TYPE OF WELL (Check one) <input type="checkbox"/> Gas Producer <input type="checkbox"/> Oil Producer <input type="checkbox"/> Input <input type="checkbox"/> Storage <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Brine <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____		PLANNED TOTAL DEPTH <b>2550 ft.</b>	PLANNED DATE OF COMMENCEMENT OF OPERATIONS <b>October 1992</b>
SURFACE ELEVATION (Check how obtained) <b>815 ft.</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Surveyed <input type="checkbox"/> Altimeter <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Topo Map		TYPE TOOLS <input type="checkbox"/> Cable <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rotary	PLANNED DRILLING FLUID <input type="checkbox"/> Air <input type="checkbox"/> Water <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mud
NAME OF PLANNED CONTRACTOR (If known)			TELEPHONE NUMBER (include area code)
GIVE DETAILS FOR EACH PROPOSED CASING STRING AND CEMENT JOB INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO: Bit size, casing size, weight and grade, depth casing set, scratchers, centralizers, cement baskets, sacks of cement, class of cement, cement additives with percentages or pounds per sack, estimated top of cement, estimated amount of excess cement and waiting on cement time. Attach additional sheets as required.			
<b>See attached program.</b>			
<b>DEPARTMENT USE ONLY</b>			
BOND NUMBER			
API NUMBER			
PERMIT NUMBER			
DATE ISSUED			

## WATKINS GLEN - WELL #58

### Drilling Procedure

1. Drill a 17½" hole at least 75 feet past the bottom of the surface drift (approximately 130') and cement a centrallized 13-3/8" 61 lb/ft H-40 casing to surface using Class A cement with 3% CaCl<sub>2</sub> and 50% excess. Wait on cement 12 hours before drilling out.
2. Drill a 12-1/4" hole to the top of the F6 salt (approximately 2130'). Obtain a 4" core through the bottom of the 'F1' salt bed (approximately 2550'). Ream to 12-1/4".
3. Run a gamma ray/compensated density wireline log from T.D. to surface.
4. Place a centrallized 9-5/8" 36 lb/ft casing string to 10 feet below the top of the F5/2 salt bed (approximately 2150'). Rough coat the bottom 3 joints of casing. Casing to have secondary teflon seals on all connections.
5. Cement the string to surface with 25% excess over the calipered hole size. The lead slurry is to be 50/50 Pozmix with 3% CaCl<sub>2</sub>, 3% gel and the tail slurry 200 sacks of salt saturated Class 'A' cement. The tail slurry must fill at least the bottom 500 feet. Sufficient cement is to be provided to obtain surface returns. Any fallback is to be grouted from the surface.
6. Perform a pressure test.
7. Drill out the plug after 24 hours. Circulate the hole with clean, saturated brine.
8. Install a casing head and a temporary cap.

Watkins Glen - Well #58

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Completion

1. At least 30 days after the 9-5/8" casing is cemented in place, run a cement bond log.
2. Install the wellhead.
3. Install 7" 20 or 23 lb/ft tubing to 20 feet from the bottom of the 'F1' salt bed.
4. Install 4-1/2" 10.5 lb/ft tubing to 2 feet from the bottom of the 'F1' salt bed.
5. Install water and brine piping to the well.

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WGWell 58

## WATKINS GLEN - WELL #50

### Workover Procedure

1. Run gamma ray neutron and cement evaluation logs in Wells #50 and neutron log in Well #51 to determine cavern depths. A sonar caliper survey may be conducted in Well #51, if needed.
2. Obtain ground survey to locate Well #51 relative to Well #50.
3. Set a bridge plug in Well #50 at 2520'.
4. Mill the existing 8-5/8" casing from 2430' to 2490'.
5. Place a cement plug from the bridge plug at 2520' to 2410'.
6. Drill out the cement plug with a 6-1/8" bit to 2470'.
7. Run directional surveys in Wells #50 and 51 to determine bottom hole locations.
8. Drill a 50 foot radius curve and 6-1/8" lateral section to intercept the existing cavern at Well #51 at a target depth of 2520' (relative to Well #50 ground level), approximately 400 feet to the east.

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NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION  
DIVISION OF MINERAL RESOURCES**ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FORM**

Attachment to Drilling Permit Application

WELL NAME AND NUMBER

Watkins Glen No. 58

NAME OF APPLICANT

Akzo Salt Inc.

BUSINESS TELEPHONE NUMBER

( 607) 535-2721

ADDRESS OF APPLICANT

P.O. Box 110, Salt Point Road

CITY/P.O.

Watkins Glen

STATE

NY

ZIP CODE

14891

DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT (Briefly describe type of project or action)

Construction of one additional salt solution mining well.

PROJECT SITE IS THE WELL SITE AND SURROUNDING AREA WHICH WILL BE DISTURBED DURING CONSTRUCTION OF SITE,  
ACCESS ROAD, and PIT AND ACTIVITIES DURING DRILLING AND COMPLETION AT WELLHEAD.  
(PLEASE COMPLETE EACH QUESTION—Indicate N.A., if not applicable)

## LAND USE AND PROJECT SITE

1. Project Dimensions. Total Area of Project Site
- 21875
- sq. ft.
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- Approximate square footage for items below:

	During Construction (sq. ft.)	After Construction (sq. ft.)
a. Access Road (length x width)	Existing 12 ft. wide road will be used for access.	
b. Well Site (length x width)	175 x 125	80 x 40

2. Characterize Project Site Vegetation and Estimate Percentage of Each Type Before Construction:

_____ % Agricultural (cropland, hayland, pasture, vineyard, etc.)	_____ % Forested	_____ % Wetlands
<u>100</u> % Meadow or Brushland (non agricultural)	_____ % Non vegetated (rock, soil, fill)	

3. Present Land Use(s) Within ¼ Mile of Project (Check all that apply)

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rural	<input type="checkbox"/> Suburban	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Forest	<input type="checkbox"/> Urban	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Agricultural	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> Park/Recreation
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> Other					

4. How close is the nearest residence, building, or outdoor facility of any type routinely occupied by people at least part of the day?
- 300
- ft.

Describe A motel and tourist cabins

## ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES ON/NEAR PROJECT SITE

5. The presence of certain environmental resources on or near the project site may require additional permits, approvals or mitigation measures—
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- Is any part of the well site or access road located:

a. Over a primary or principal aquifer?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Not Known
b. Within 2,640 feet of a public water supply well?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Not Known
c. Within 150 feet of a surface municipal water supply?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Not Known
d. Within 150 feet of a lake, stream, or other public surface water body?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Not Known
e. Within an Agricultural District?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Known
f. Within a land parcel having a Soil and Water Conservation Plan?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Known
g. In a 100 year flood plan?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Not Known
h. In a regulated wetland or its 100 foot buffer zone?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Not Known
i. In a coastal zone management area?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Not Known
j. In a Critical Environmental Area?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Not Known
k. Does the project site contain any species of animal life that are listed as threatened or endangered?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Known

If yes, identify the species and source of information \_\_\_\_\_

- l. Will the proposed project significantly impact visual resources of statewide significance?

<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Not Known
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If yes, identify the visual resource and source of information \_\_\_\_\_



# CULTURAL RESOURCES

6. Are there any known archeological and/or historical resources which will be affected by drilling operations?

☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ Not Known

7. Has the land within the project area been previously disturbed or altered (excavated, landscaped, filled, utilities installed)?

☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ Not Known

If answer to Number 6 or 7 is yes, briefly describe Project is within the Akzo Salt brinefield, near a pond constructed to contain brine. No earlier disturbances are known.

## EROSION AND RECLAMATION PLANS

8. Indicate percentage of project site within: 0-10% slope 100 % 10-15% slope \_\_\_\_\_ % greater than 15% slope \_\_\_\_\_ %

9. Are erosion control measures needed during construction of the access road and well site?

☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Not Known

If yes, describe and/or sketch on attached photocopy of plat \_\_\_\_\_

10. Will the topsoil which is disturbed be stockpiled for reclamation use?

☒ Yes ☐ No

11. Does the reclamation plan include revegetation?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, what plant materials will be used? \_\_\_\_\_

12. Does the reclamation plan include restoration or installation of surface or subsurface drainage features to prevent erosion or conform to a Soil and Water Conservation Plan?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, describe \_\_\_\_\_

## ACCESS ROAD SITING AND CONSTRUCTION

13. Are you going to use existing or common corridors when building the access road? Locate access road on attached photocopy of plat.

☒ Yes ☐ No

## DRILLING

14. Anticipated length of drilling operations? 14 days.

## WASTE STORAGE AND DISPOSAL

15. How will drilling fluids and stimulation fluids:

- a. Be contained? Steel tanks and a plastic-lined reserve pit.  
b. Be disposed of? Brine will be decanted off and injected into solution mining wells.

☒ Yes ☐ No

16. Will production brine be stored on site?

If yes:  
How will it be stored? In an existing pond and tanks

How will it be disposed of? Brine is feedstock for a salt production plant.

☒ Yes ☐ No

17. Will the drill cuttings and pit liner be disposed of on site?

If yes, expected burial depth? 2 feet

## ADDITIONAL PERMITS

18. Are any additional State, Local or Federal permits or approvals required for this project?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Date Application Submitted

Date Application Received

Stream Disturbance Permit (DEC)

Wetlands Permit (DEC or Local)

Floodplain Permit (DEC or Local)

Other \_\_\_\_\_

PREPARER'S SIGNATURE

DATE

NAME/TITLE (Please print)

Michael J. Schumacher, Minerals Development Engineer

REPRESENTING

Akzo Salt Inc.